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**Request
FOR
Continued Examination (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, Provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application Filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Applicaton No.:	09/843,051
Filing Date:	April 26, 2001
First Named Inventor:	Martin Gerber et al.
Group Art Unit:	3762
Examiner Name:	G. Evanisko
Attorney Docket No.:	P-8436.03US

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Note: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**a. ☒ Previously submitted**

i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on June 26, 2003
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

iii. ☐ Other: _____

b. ☐ Enclosed

i. ☐ Amendment/Reply

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. ☐ Other: _____

2. Miscellaneous

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)

b. ☐ Other: _____

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ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) - \$ _____

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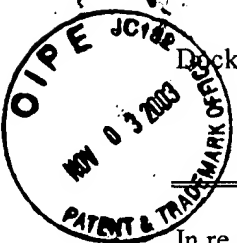
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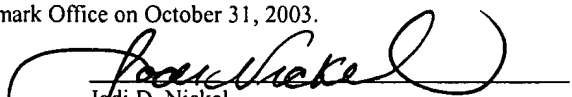
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In re Application of: Martin T. Gerber et al. Group Art Unit: 3762
Application No.: 09/843,051 Examiner: G. Evanisko
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For: Single and Multi-Polar Implantable Lead For Sacral Nerve Electrical Stimulation

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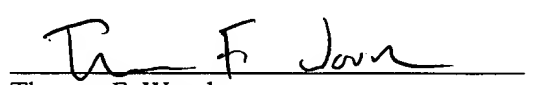
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Respectfully submitted,

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